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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly further preliminarily amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following new claim.

The method according to claim 16 wherein said strain of HIV is a monocytotropic strain. --

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested. New claim 25 finds support in the Example at page 31 where reference is made to HIV $l_{\mbox{\scriptsize Bal}}$. It will be clear from page 5 of the